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### **GOVERNOR HASLAM ANNOUNCES SIX COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS**

*Grants to Assist Gibson County Communities with Fire Protection and Sewer System Improvements*

**TRENTON** – Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam today announced six recipients of Community Development Block Grants that will assist with fire protection and sewer system improvements in Gibson County communities. The grant recipients included Dyer, Gibson, Humboldt, Milan, Rutherford and Trenton. Additional CDBG recipients will be announced in the upcoming months.

“Community Development Block Grants have a critical impact on rural Tennessee communities because they help cities and towns make important infrastructure improvements that facilitate economic development,” Haslam said. “With the assistance of CDBG funding, these areas in Gibson County will see changes that can lead to additional jobs and improve the quality of life for its residents.”

The funds were allocated under a procedure authorized by the Tennessee General Assembly. Allocation of CDBG funds is based on priorities set at local levels where community needs are best known. The CDBG program is administered in Tennessee by the Department of Economic and Community Development.

The grants were approved following an application by each community and are supported by Sen. John Stevens, Rep. Curtis Halford, and Mayors Allen Barker, Tony Black, Tony Burriss, Chris Crider, Larry Davidson and Chris Younger.

U.S. Rep. Stephen Fincher also aided in securing the funds.

Area CDBG recipients announced today include:

Community	Project	CDBG Amount	Local Funds	Total Amount for Project
Dyer	Sewer Systems Improvements	\$300,000	\$22,590	\$322,590
Gibson	Pumper/Tanker Truck Purchase	\$198,410	\$5,931	\$204,341
Humboldt	Sewer Systems Improvements	\$500,000	\$68,182	\$568,182
Milan	Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System Improvements	\$500,000	\$56,000	\$556,000
Rutherford	Pumper/Tanker Truck and Gear Purchase	\$207,860	\$10,940	\$218,800
Trenton	Sewer System Improvements	\$500,000	\$50,000	\$550,000

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